

HOUSE BILL 566

By Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
relative to the Uniform Administrative Procedures
Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-223(a)(1), is amended by deleting "of Davidson County".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-225(a), is amended by deleting "of Davidson County".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-226, is amended by adding the following as new subsections:

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(1)

(A) The government operations committee of the house of representatives or senate may request an agency to:

(i) Repromulgate a rule that has been in effect for eight (8) or more years; or

(ii) Repeal a rule deemed obsolete by one (1) or both of the committees or the agency.

(B) Subdivision (n)(1)(A) applies to rules filed prior to, on, or after the effective date of this act.

(C) An agency that is requested to repromulgate a rule under subdivision (n)(1)(A)(i) shall initiate the rulemaking process within ninety

(90) days of the request by the committee or be subject to subdivision (n)(2).

(2) If the agency fails to comply with the government operations committee's request to repromulgate a rule pursuant to this chapter, then the government operations committee of the house of representatives or senate may vote to request the general assembly to suspend any or all of the agency or related agency's rulemaking authority for any reasonable period of time or with respect to any subject matter, by legislative enactment.

(o) Notwithstanding this section to the contrary, rules filed with the secretary of state on or after July 1, 2021, expire eight (8) years from their effective date.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.